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SUSPENSION SYSTEM

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## NOTICE OF APPEAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. 41.31 & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant(s) hereby appeal(s) to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Decision of the Primary Examiner dated June 13, 2006 finally rejecting claims 30-31.

A timely response to the final rejection dated August 7, 2005has been filed.

The Commissioner is Authorized to charge deposit account 500-0540 for the \$500.00 Appeal Fee is attached.

Applicant hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time and any additional relief and further authorizes the Commissioner to charge deposit account 50-0548 for the necessary fees.

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